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OREGON COUNTY MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORN

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Couch, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to possessing child pornography.

John Wayne Roy, 49, of Couch, pleaded guilty before U.S. Magistrate Judge James C. England this morning to the charges contained in a federal indictment.

By pleading guilty, **Roy** admitted that he was in possession of a computer hard drive that contained child pornography on April 17, 2004, in Oregon County, Mo. **Roy** also agreed to forfeit to the government any property used to commit that offense, including a Hewlett Packard Pavilion computer processing unit.

Under federal statutes, **Roy** could be subject to a sentence of up to 10 years in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$250,000. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rose A. Barber. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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